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TALKS BY THOSE WHO THINK

THE country is smothered by legislation. The boundaries of law have been broken over, and statutes have invaded the province of the pulpit and the school. The attempt to regiment the business activities of the people has resulted in multitudes of government bureaus, boards and commissions, hives of bureaucracy from which swarms of government agents fly over the land, disciplining industry and trade and eating up the substance of the people. Expense of government has swollen to dropsical bulk, and administration of government has become so intricate and involved that nobody can comprehend its working.

So declares Albert J. Beveridge, historian and former senator from Indiana. "And what has come of it? The machinery of government has been so extended and overloaded that breakdown is imminent, and natural laws of commerce are jammed into bureaucratic straight-jackets.

"Those who do the day's work of the nation are so terrorized tax-gatherers and other government spies and inspectors that American character is being transformed from that of upstanding, fearless citizens of a republic into that of furtive and hypocritical subjects of autocracy.

"And while this frenzy goes on of making business toe the mark drawn by burcaurats who know nothing of business and could not run any big concern—while this craze for compelling artificial business ethics proceeds—corruption riots throughout officialdom itself.

"The inside of the cup is putrid—even leaders of moral causes are found to be venal, and the order of sanctity mingles with the smell of oil.

"Fraud pollutes the veterans' bureau at Washington, the Teapot Dome rottenness contaminates the national government, and an outstanding prohibition leader is convicted of forgery and graft.

"No political party has a corner on scoundrels, no religious denomination a monopoly on virtue; and the political or moral organization that shields its rascals invites its doom. Honesty is fundamental.

"Woe to the country whose citizens lose confidence and have cause to lose confidence in government officials, and especially in champions of moral causes. We may divide in opinion on public policies and all is well; but when the elect of the land prove to be whited sepulchres, suspicion of everybody and everything ensues, and all is ill.

"Today we draw near that condition—the public mind is dazed, mystified, resentful, dangerous."

WHO'S WHO IN THE NEWS

FRANK A. VANDERLIP, who was summoned before the senate committee investigating the oil lease scandal after he brought the sale of the Marion Star by Warren G. Harding into the case, is a former newspaper man who graduated into banking and become a power in the financial world. He was born in Aurora, Ill., Nov. 17, 1864, and attended both the University of Illinois and the University of Chicago. Later he received honorary degrees from Colgate university, in 1911, and from Princeton, in 1919.

He was a repoter on the Chicago Tribune in 1889. Later he was its financial editor. From 1894 to 1896 he edited the Economist.

When Lyman J. Gage was made secretary of the treasury in 1897 Vanderlip became his private secretary. Within three months he was promoted to the position of assistant secretary of the treasury.

After four years of service he resigned to become vice-president of the National City bank, then the biggest in America. In 1909 he succeeded James Stillman the elder as president, and held this position until 1919.

During the World war Vanderlip was one of the "dollar-a-year" men working in Washington. He was the originator of the war savings stamp idea.

"JUST FOR THE FUN OF IT"

By ROY K. MOULTON

A STUDY IN CONTRASTS

A. went over the top one gray morning in October, 1918. When he came back to his country he was minus an arm. The grateful country instructed him in the art of basket-weaving.

B. sat in an automobile a half mile from a hotel where his comrades were attempting to kidnap a man set up as a symbol of hate in the country from which he had fled, while one of his comrades was killed and the other wounded. Some months later B. returned to his country in a stateroom deluxe and was proclaimed a patriotic hero.

THE WOMAN OF IT

Mme. Marguerite Fahmy, the Frenchwoman who murdered the Egyptian prince who was her husband and got a lot of sob's from palpitating readers of the scandal-mongering sheets by her sobbing story of the humiliations a western woman must undergo when she marries an eastern man, is now engaged to marry a cousin of the man she killed.

The editor of the Alamont (Mo.) Times is a Comical Cut-Up. "A monologue," he writes, "is a conversation between a man and his wife. A dialogue is where two persons are speaking."

SHE WINS

The bazaar was in full swing when a young man strolled around the stalls.

He had no intention of buying anything. As he passed a tastefully decorated stall the pretty saleswoman detained him.

"Won't you buy a cigarette holder?" she asked.

"No, thank you; I don't smoke," was the curt reply.

"Or a penwiper worked by my own hands?"

"I don't write."

"Then do have this nice box of chocolates."

"I don't eat sweets."

The young woman's patience was exhausted.

"Sir," she said, grimly, "will you buy this box of soap?"

The young man paid up.

ECONOMICS

The Joneses of Florida were a miserly old pair. One day Jones said timidly to his wife: "I've a hankering for an orange. I think I'll go down to the grove and pick a few."

"Don't you pluck no sound fruit, Sir," shrilled Mrs. Jones. "Only bad ones, mind!"

"But suppose there ain't no bad ones, mother?"

"Then you'll have to wait till some goes bad, that's all. We can't afford to eat good, sound oranges that's worth 75 cents a dozen."



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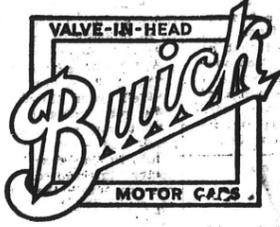


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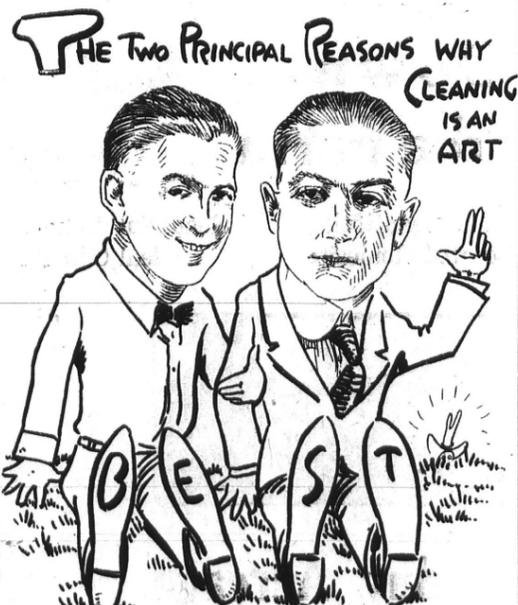
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By THE MYSTERIOUS COWBOY



The Torrance Cleaners and Dyers, an established concern doing a splendid business, has recently been purchased by two energetic and experienced young men who already have made a number of improvements and promise still greater things. Every growing city needs just such a service as Messrs. Sharon and McCormack are rendering. Torrance is fortunate in having such a team.

Bert M. Sharon is a native of Mason City, Iowa. He is a trained business man and an expert in his life, having been for fifteen years connected with Marshall and Company of Mason City. Mr. and Mrs. Sharon and the two kiddies are new to California, but they already are enthusiastic in their praise of the state and of the city of Torrance.

F. P. McCormack is a Long Beach man. But he, like Sharon, is a native of the good old state of Iowa. He has had business experience and knows how to treat the trade. His work will be outside taking care of new and old customers; while Sharon will take care of the inside work. Both are young men of pleasing personalities and good qualities and are sure to make a marked success in their laudable undertaking.

The Torrance Cleaners and Dyers concern has headquarters in the Vonderab block near the corner of Carson and Cabrillo streets. All kinds of repairing and cleaning will be done. Fancy work requiring special attention will be a feature. Men's and women's garments will be cared for, as well as household articles generally handled by modern dry cleaning and dyeing establishments. Special attention will be given to seeing that all service is very prompt and that all work is done in a most satisfactory manner.

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